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SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED-UP £251,093.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
Wm. Keswick, Esq., Chairman.
Adolf von André, Esq., F. D. Sassoon, Esq.,
Egbert Iveson, Esq., H. D. Stewart, Esq.,
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE:
The Hon. J. J. Keswick, The Hon. C. P. Chater,
H. Hopkin, Esq.

Head Office—3, Princes Street, London.
Branches—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and
Shanghai.
Agents—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST.
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
AND FIXED DEPOSITS, can be ascertained
on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [187]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,185,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS, at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—
For 12 Months, 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq., Chow Tung Shing, Esq.,
Chan Kit Shan, Esq., Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,
H. Stollerfoht, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and
Amoy.

BANKERS:
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

Parry Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

CURRENT ACCOUNTS " 2 " "
Hongkong, 24th May, 1893. [18]

Intimations.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT
7 PER CENT. SILVER LOAN OF 1886, £.
14TH HALF-YEARLY DRAWING.

INTEREST DUE AND DRAWN BONDS OF
this LOAN will be PAYABLE at the
OFFICES of the CORPORATION on and after the
30th September, 1893.

List of Drawn Bonds can be obtained on
application to the Undersigned.
For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION,
Agents issuing the Loan,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 29th September, 1893. [1057]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE
STRAITS, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance
with Article No. 18 of the Articles of
Association of THE BANK OF CHINA,
JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED,
the Directors have passed a Resolution making a
CALL of One Penny per Share on the Ordinary
Shares of the Bank, such Call to become
PAYABLE as follows:—

Five Shillings on the 1st November, 1893.
Five Shillings on the 1st February, 1894.
Five Shillings on the 2nd April, 1894.
Five Shillings on the 1st June, 1894.

The several instalments of the above Call
Due on Shares on the Hongkong Register are
Payable as above at the Office of the Bank, No. 4,
Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, in local
currency equivalent.

Interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum
will be allowed on all instalments paid in
advance of due dates.

If the Sums Payable in respect of any of the
above Instalments be not paid on or before the
respective days appointed for payment thereof
respectively, interest will be charged on the
same at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from
the day appointed for Payment thereof to the
time of actual payment, in accordance with
Article No. 21 of the Articles of Association of
the Bank.

S. L. DARBY,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1893. [1019]

WANTED.

A ROTARY PRINTING PRESS. Size
about 36 by 41 inches, or a trifle larger.
Must be in working order.

Apply, stating terms, &c. to
G. W.,
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office,
Hongkong, 14th September, 1893. [1014]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAROL ROAD, begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind
patronage and support, and desires to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all
kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing,
Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery,
Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiores will also be most grateful for
any PATCHES, or old Embroideries to be made into
Bosoms for the Children of the Poor Schools, who
are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong 22nd April, 1893. [1495]

FINANCES.

THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES
of this form of Assurance, the
following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision
for wife and family or other rela-
tives in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment
for the regular accumulation of
small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are
larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN
THREE YEARS IN FORCE—
should the Policy-holder wish to dis-
continue future payments—he will
be entitled to receive, on application,
a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a
proportionate amount of the Sum
Assured, as explained in the Pros-
pectus.

Full particulars on application,
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747]

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF
NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES on
favourable terms.
Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal
to that paid by the local Offices.
S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [415]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 1st September, 1893. [173]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333.33
EQUAL TO }
RESERVE FUND } \$315,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUEN MOON, Esq.,
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1893. 974

Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date NO FULLY PAID-UP
SHARES of this Company will be
TRANSFERRED on which the Calls on the
NEW SHARES standing in the same Name
remain unpaid.

By Order, R. LYALL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [444]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

SUMMER CHARGES.

JUNE, JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER,
\$75 PER MONTH

for BOARD AND LODGING in ROOMS facing
Peddar Street or to the Eastward.

FURNISHED ROOMS without Board
\$45 Per Month.

Apply to Manager and/or Secretary.

HONGKONG HOTEL,
Hongkong, 19th May, 1893. [1897]

THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS,
(Corner of Queen's Road and Duddell Street.)

THE Undersigned has always thought that
such a place as this was the one thing
needed to fit in between HOTEL LIFE and the
PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE—providing it be
First-class in every detail. A place where one
may have his GRILLED-CHOP or STEAK
at any hour of the Day, up to 11 P.M., or later
if notice be given. He is also prepared to
SUPPLY MEALS to PRIVATE PARTIES
per Menu or ORDER—the Parties sending
Diapers, &c., for same—and Cash. Scale on
application.

Monthly Board for One Person...\$35.00
Dinner...\$15.00
Breakfast...\$5.00
Dinner...\$7.50
Dinner...\$1.00

SPECIAL TIFINS AND DINNERS served
in Excellent Style at short notice.

W. THOMAS,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1893. [528]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED or UN-
FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board and
Table Accommodation.

Apply to
Mrs. MATHER,
2, Peddar's Hill.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1893. [36]

Intimations.

W. POWELL & CO.

PORTMANTEAUS.

GLADSTONE BAGS.

TRAVELLING TRUNKS.

SCHOOL SATCHELS.

DOG CHAINS. DOG COLLARS.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong 30th September, 1893. [6]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

IMPORTERS OF THE CHOICEST BRANDS OF
TOBACCOS, CIGARETTES AND CIGARS.

TOBACCOS. CIGARETTES. CIGARS.

Pioneer Brand. Silver Vell. London. Regalia Imperial. Regalia Britannica. Comme il faut. Exquisite. Regalia Filipina. Regalia Antonio Lopez. Media Regalia. Brevas. Carolinas.

Capitan Navy Cut. Golden's Bird's Eye. Three Castles. Will's Bristol Bird's Eye. Traveller Brand. Ogden's Navy Cut. Golden Flake Honey Dew. Fruit & Honey. Happy Thought. Dollar Brand. Star Mixture. Golden Eagle.

Kinney's Straight Cut. Full Dress Straight Cut. Otto de Rose. Ogden's Bird's Eye. Yellow Plush. Three Castles.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1893. [7]

THE

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS...THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East,
affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of
the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Peddar's Wharf
(the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping
Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.
THE TABLE DHOTIE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being
under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to
spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.
The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public
BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.
A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour
adjacent the Hotel, and is under the same Management.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.
HYDRAULIC ASCENDING ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers
and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER,
Manager. [108]

Hongkong, 12th February, 1892.

SHOOTING SEASON 1893!

FOWLING PIECES IN CASES WITH IMPLEMENTS.

MARTINI-HENRI MATCH RIFLES, WINCHESTER CARBINES, COLTS'
"LIGHTNING" CARBINES, REVOLVERS.

ELEY'S CARTRIDGE CASES:—
METAL COVERED, GREEN, BLUE AND BROWN.

CARTRIDGES LOADED WITH (E.C.) or "ALLIANCE" GUNPOWDER.
PIGOU, WILKS AND LAWRENCE'S "ALLIANCE" SPORTING POWDER.

NEWCASTLE CHILLED SHOT.

WADS, CAPS, LOADING MACHINES, RE-CAPERS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND BAGS,
GUN CLEANERS, &c., &c.

W. CRAWFORD & CO.
Hongkong, 9th August, 1893. [1071]

W. BREWER.

JUST RECEIVED

A NEW STOCK OF GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS AND SHOES IN BROWN RUSSIAN AND
MOROCCO LEATHER.

LADIES' WALKING SHOES IN MOROCCO LEATHER.

LADIES' TENNIS SHOES, "The Renshaw."
NEW STOCK BRIAR PIPES, TOBACCO POUCHES, &c.

SPLENDID STOCK OF ENGRAVINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS and other PICTURES.
NEW PATENT OPAQUE BANK ENVELOPES.

EXCHANGE TABLES,
2/- TO 3/-
\$2.00.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD [659]

Hongkong, 25th August, 1893.

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the
centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with
the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites
and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUBLES, SHOWER SPRAYS, etc., and heated
to a comfortable temperature during winter.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1893.

An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

FANCY FAIR AT MACAO.

SPECIAL CHEAP EXCURSION.

WEATHER PERMITTING, the Steamer
"HONAM" will make a SPECIAL
TRIP to MACAO TO-MORROW, the 1st
October, leaving HONGKONG at 9 A.M., and
returning from MACAO at 10.30 P.M.

In the Afternoon a GRAND RELIGIOUS
PROCESSION will take place in MACAO, and
in the Evening a FANCY FAIR will be held in
the SAN FRANCISCO GARDENS.

Fare to Macao and Back, \$2. No Second-
class or Single Fares. Chinese Servants, 50
Cents each way. Tickets may be obtained at
the Office of the Company or on board the
Steamer before sailing.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th September, 1893. [1048]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
TWENTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the
SOCIETY will be held at the HEAD OFFICE,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 7th October
next, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with Statement
of Accounts for the year 1892, and for the half-
year ending the 30th June, 1893.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will
be CLOSED from the 28th September to the
7th October, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board.

N. J. EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1893. [1039]

NOTICE TO MARINERS,
No. 276.

CHINA SEA.

THE subjoined Notice to Mariners has been
received from the Chief Commissioner of
Customs, Corea:—

COREA.

NOTICE TO MARINERS,
No. 5.

JENCHUAN DISTRICT.

SUNKEN ROCK IN LYNE SOUND, NEAR
PORT OF MOKPO.

A Sunken Rock, with 6 feet of water at low
water spring tides, lies in latitude 34° 30' 15"
N., longitude 126° 12' 45" E. The Rock is of
an OVAL SHAPE, 150 yards long by 50 yards
broad, lying S.E. and N.W. about 1 mile from
a small conical island (name unknown) bearing
W.S.W. from the Rock, in which the danger lies is not
recommended as an approach to Mokpo.

By Order of the Chief Commissioner of
Customs,
(Signed) W. MCC. OSBORNE,
Acting Commissioner of Customs,
Custom House,
Jenchuan, 31st August, 1893.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,
THOS. E. COCKER,
for Coast Inspector,
Imperial Maritime Customs,
Coast Inspector's Office,
Shanghai, 18th September, 1893. [1045]

THE PHARMACY,
25, QUEEN'S ROAD.

MESSRS. FLETCHER & Co. beg to
inform the Residents of Hongkong and
the Shipping Community, that they will OPEN
at the above address on TUESDAY first, 26th
September. The Store will be managed by a
thoroughly competent Chemist who will take
every care that all DRUGS and CHEMICALS
used in the compounding of prescriptions are
PURE and FRESH.

FLETCHER & Co. will have on hand a good
selection of Druggists' Sundries and Patent
Medicines.

Telephone No. 74. FLETCHER & Co.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893. [1044]

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE and SPIRIT
MERCHANTS,
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, LONDON AND
GLASGOW.

13, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 24th August, 1893. [930]

J. W. KEW & CO'S
STEAM WATER BOATS.

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE attention of SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS and
CAPTAINS is called to the Superior Quality
of TYTAM FILTERED WATER offered by
J. W. KEW & Co., also to the advantages
derived from their being able to Supply their
Water in one-fourth the time occupied by the
old fashioned and obsolete hand pumps.

No impeding the loading or discharging of
Cargo.

Quickest despatch with lowest possible rates.

J. W. KEW & Co.,
c/o Carmichael & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 13th June, 1893. [684]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
SHIPBLACKERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,
NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND
GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS,
PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S PATENT'S GENUINE
COMPOSITION.

HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT.
DAILMERS PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES,
&c., &c.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.

REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1893. [1756]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

Steamship "TROCAS"

Steamship "SPONDILUS"

Steamship "ELAX"

Steamship "VOLUTE"

Steamship "MUREX"

Steamship "CONCH"

Steamship "CLAM"

Steamship "BULLMOUTH"

FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON,
Taking Cargo on through Bill of Lading to
NEW YORK.

THE Next Sailing will be the Steamship
"ELAX,"

via BANGKOK and SINGAPORE, on or about 6th
October.

For Freight, &c., apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1893. [971]

N.B.—The Steamers of this Line will be
despatched monthly from Hongkong, and offer
exceptional advantages to Shippers of perishable
cargo, owing to an improved method of ventila-
tion. Copies of reports on nature of cargoes
may be had on application to the Agents.

THE HONGKONG STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

THE Steamship

"PROSPERITY,"

snipe. Birds are reported plentiful, and altogether the 1893 season promises to be above the average for game of all kinds.

To-morrow (28th September) being the birthday of the King of Portugal, there will be a reception and State Luncheon at Government House at 2 p.m., and a *soirée* at the "Gremio Militar" at 9 p.m.

On Sunday next (1st October) there will be a fancy fair and gorgeous festival, got up by the Italian Sisters and a committee of charitable ladies, in aid of the funds for the benefit of the orphans under the Sisters' care. As this is for the noble and charitable cause, it is most genuine and praiseworthy. It is a well known philanthropic plot of your port will come over, and let all men see the good that is done, and glorify our Father in heaven. Besides, altogether apart from the benevolent point of view, the show is sure to be well worth seeing, and the Steamboat Company will run a special excursion at cheap rates (weather permitting) — but typhoons! Oh, what a numerous influx of visitors may be expected.

The Holy House of Mercy had many tickets for its lottery left over until last month, and as the prizes went mostly to the sold tickets, there was not much profit for the worthy Missionaries.

The *fantasy* business continues to handsomely repay its conductors. Last Saturday saw quite a large crowd of foreigners in the principal houses, but it is not for the first time that they have been attracted to the "buckling the tiger." (Presumably, they were, they lost, or else the result would have been known.)

Rate advices from Timor, through private channels, indicate a large contraband trade by sea in the neighbourhood; and at present the authorities have no doubt, nor even a stomach to launch, to do patrol duty along the coast, but there is no check on the smuggling except by land, which of course is inefficient. However, the gunboat *Thilly* will return to that benighted spot shortly.

Last Friday afternoon (22nd September) a special thanksgiving service was held in the Cathedral, in commemoration of the Colony's providential escape from a repetition of the typhoon of 1874. If we ever do have such another, there will be very little left of the "Gem of the Orient."

The command of the gunboat *Bengo*, vacated by 2nd Lieut. Bello, has been given to 2nd Lieut. Carvalho d'Almeida. Mr. F. M. do Salles, solicitor, has been appointed Registrar-General and Protector of Chinese.

Capt. Moraes, of the Portuguese Navy, has on behalf of the Government made special arrangements with the Osaka Arsenal for the purchase of \$170,000 worth of Ordnance for Macao and Timor.

The notorious *Tilaros*, which gave you in Hongkong so much trouble, arrived here on the 26th inst., and is to sail for Brazil as soon as possible. However, her departure is delayed on account of all the "booby catches" and other fittings for coals having been, if my information is correct, destroyed or removed, so that all the work will have to be commenced afresh. There are at present 330 coals ready to go in her—little more than half the number expected in spite of all the liberal promises held out. Some of the intending emigrants were vaccinated last week and the rest are now in the hands of the Colonial Surgeon. The date of the steamer's departure is not yet notified.

THE TANCHOW SILVER MINES.

Silver mining at Tanchow, near the Bogue Forts on the Canton River, will go steadily ahead and with continually increasing prospects of that substantial success for which the promoters have been so energetically striving, at a large monetary expense, for a number of years. Operations are at present, owing to many well-understood reasons, on a much more limited scale than was originally intended, but the whole is a wide discretion, and the following is the result of the investigation until the advent of better times all round, and until the great silver problem has got within a measurable distance of settlement on some generally recognised basis—although it must be admitted that the decision of foreign nations will have very little influence on the value of the white metal throughout the Chinese Empire.

However, the Tanchow mines are in active work and apparently with very satisfactory results. Mr. F. M. do Salles, the Managing Director, has countermanded the *Telegraph's* latest report of Mr. S. B. Baum, the mining engineer in charge at Tanchow, dated Sept. 23rd.

Mr. Baum says: "The lode that was struck by the North tunnel, No. 1 shaft, 325 feet level and 200 feet north of the main lode, has been followed on its course to the west about 45 feet, and to the east nearly 20 feet.

"The average width of the lode is 18 inches.

"At the cutting to the east we have continuously a streak of one or more eight inches wide; but at the cutting to the west the ore is not in a streak, but in large spots.

"The average value of this ore is over 500 oz. to the ton. I propose to shortly cut a pit on the dip of the lode and to follow its strike below the 225 feet level."

AMOY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

September 28th, 1893.

When writing you on the 25th inst. I made reference to the rumored opening up to foreign trade of the two prefectures, Ching-chow and Chian-chow, but after having made careful inquiries in reliable quarters I find there is little or no foundation for the original reports. In fact, being nothing more substantial than the gossip of a few persons largely interested in the trade between this port and the cities named; only another instance of the wish being father to the thought. However, it is to be hoped that the matter will before long receive the attention that it deserves, and that when once taken up it will be pushed to a successful issue.

The tea trade is booming and all connected with the business are kept hard at work; packing goes on from morning till night and the Bund is a scene of general activity, quite a contrast to what it was a fortnight ago. The steamer *Panhan* sailed hence for New York, via Suez Canal, on the 27th with a big lot of tea, and the sailing ship *Chen Grant* is booked for the same destination. The *O. and C. Coy's* *Galle* is also due, and further arrangements wait. A strong gale sprang up last night and although still blowing hard from the north the loading and discharging of vessels in harbour are not being interfered with.

An incident, indicative of the worth and position of the Chinese medical profession as well as of the value in which human life (female) is held in China, occurred here the other day. A woman was taken ill in a practitioner's office, who professes that he has studied foreign medicine for over three years, was called in to attend her. He duly prescribed, and shortly after taking the first dose the poor woman was seized with strong convulsions and died in great agony. Upon investigation it was found that this modern medicine's apothecary had made up ten times the proper dose of the drug specified, but whether this was his error alone, or whether it was according to the prescription is not stated. Anyhow, the relatives of the dead woman promptly hauled up the worthy "doctor" and demanded compensation, and the "slightly

dollar" was brought into requisition with the success usually attending such cases, and he and his brilliant apothecary are once again in the full enjoyment of their liberty and fat practice.

THE QUESTION OF JURIES.

The jury system in civil cases is very much on its trial just now. Jurors themselves complain of the inconvenience and hardships which the present law imposes upon them; litigants, at least those litigants who lose, denounce the system for its delays and uncertainty; and judges on appeal frequently reverse the verdicts of juries on the ground that no reasonable man could have come to such conclusions, and occasionally go still further, and declare verdicts to be "wicked," "monstrous," and "shameful."

By some curious fatality all the unreasonable men in the community appear, if we may accept the Banco estimate of jury verdicts, to have an irresistible tendency towards the jury-box; and whatever jurists' opinions of juries may be, the jurists' opinions of civil juries seem to be invariably appreciative or complimentary to the latter. "The palladium of British liberties" appears to be a bit shaky at present, and under all the circumstances, it is not surprising that a bill should have been introduced into the New South Wales Legislative Council to effect the abolition of juries in the trial of civil actions. Presumably the bill is one to enable the judge to be tried by a jury alone, the power to summon a jury being reserved to juries; but the measure, if passed, would, in practice, supersede the jury system altogether, leaving it to the judge to decide upon the facts as well as the law of the cases tried.

It may well be doubted whether the present evils are of sufficient importance to justify so radical a change as that suggested. As far as the jurists themselves are concerned, complaints would be minimised if the process of selection were altered so that a juror could not be called offener than, say, once a year. The chief hardship now is that some men are summoned four or five times a year, while others are omitted year after year. And with regard to unreasonable verdicts, although it may be admitted that the Banco Court may have good reason for granting new trials in some cases, it must also be remembered that only exceptional instances of this kind are referred to the Full Court. As a rule litigants are content to accept the verdicts recorded, and only when there is reason to believe that the jury have erred is there any criticism of their finding. In this matter of doubtful verdicts, too, there is room for question whether the verdict of a judge would be more usually accurate. The Full Court do not always agree with the decision on facts by the Chief Justice in Equity, against whose findings they have to consider at least occasional appeals. And there seems no sufficient warrant for the Banco Court to be the verdict of one man would be true than the verdict of four, even if that one man were a jurist. Judges notoriously have their prejudices, not only with regard to particular forms of action, but also with regard to classes of litigants. Such prejudices are sometimes manifested even when the responsibility of arriving at a right conclusion is reserved to the sole discretion of a jurist, and would no doubt become still more manifest and notorious if the whole onus of trial and verdict were borne by the judge alone. In England, where juries have, since the adoption of the Judicature Act, been dispensed with in a large proportion of the cases tried, complaints are still frequent, and unreasonable decisions would still appear to be frequent, and although these are not usually expressed from the Bench of the Appeal Courts, it is clear that the one-man system has not proved itself a success. Here is the District Court, in actions of importance referred to the Supreme Court, the one-man system has proved its advantages in the speedy despatch of cases; but although the District Court judges are men of exceptional freedom from mental bias, it cannot be said that the administration of justice in their courts has proved the wisdom of amalgamating the functions of judge and jury in cases within the Supreme Court jurisdiction.

If an alteration in the mode of trial in the higher courts is necessary, it may be that the most efficient reform would be by means of a modification of the present system of divided responsibility. Admittedly such errors as jurors may make arise from their want of experience in the functions they are called upon to discharge. Even if a jurist is summoned half a dozen times a year, the chances are that he is called upon to decide many cases of wholly different character, and the experience of one trial is of but slight use to him in another. Why should there not be permanent jurors from whose number panels would be obtained for every case? We have permanent judges and officers of the court; why not permanent jurors also? Business men would then be relieved of the inconveniences to which they are now subjected; litigants would know that their cases would be dealt with by men who would not easily be misled, and the judges would have in the conduct of a case the assistance of a body of men whose knowledge of the world would have qualified them to investigate questions of fact, and whose knowledge of litigants and counsel would prevent them from being deceived by the tricks and artifices of advocacy. Such official jurors would be exempt from the bias of interest to which business men who have had dealings with one or other of the parties must necessarily be subject; and the duty of decision would be higher than that which rests upon a jurist, having returned a verdict, go back at once to their ordinary occupations. Nor need there be any fear of corruption of permanent jurors if ordinary means were used in the selection of a panel. Parties would not find it profitable to bribe any of the jurors, as the chances that any one of them would be selected, and moreover, if a jurist were a permanent official his whole interest would be in maintaining his position and reputation.

The matter is one of the first importance, and deserving of a greater share of public attention than it has yet received. Some reform is certainly necessary, but we should be reluctant to believe that the true remedy lies in the abolition of juries; and the fact that every lawyer in the Legislative Council favors the bill brought forward by the Hon. G. B. Simons does not satisfy us that it is best that the judge should have the sole right of decision in matters of fact as well as in matters of law. — *Australian Star*.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

(Compiled from many sources.)

The interest on borrowed trouble is always high.

"Pay as you go" and save enough, to come back on.

Wife (to corpulent husband)—Stand just there and let me sit in the shade!

Ambition is like love, impatient both of delays and rivals.

Contentment is the feeling that you are better off than your neighbour.

Two bulls are glad that hay is now listed on the Stock Exchange.

Some people imagine that they deserve a month's rest every time they do right.

How He Knew—"How you know he married her for her money?" "I've seen her. There are some men who have to be knocked down first and argued with afterwards."

SURPRISING.

It often stumps a fellow.

When in politics he notes

How one man does the claimant!

And the other gets the votes.

Oh, Those Girls!—Clara (after her song)—Did my voice fill the room? Prunella—No, it emptied it.

Oh, it's the way of the world. We never strew flowers on a man's grave until after he is dead.

The philosopher who wrote that a good name is better than riches never had a case in a court of law.

"The corn crop is likely to be very good," observed the chiropodist when he noticed that toothpick shoes were in style.

"When I was young we prepared students for life; now we prepare them for examinations," is a bit of truth from Jules Simon.

BORN WILD.

Some men and beasts you can improve,

Can win and tune their hearts to love;

But you can tame some natures never—

Like wild hyenas, wild forever.

It is interesting and somewhat disquieting to note how much more identification it takes to cash a cheque than it does to get lynched.

"I am a stranger," said little Tommy to his mother, just after returning from the kindergarten, "that a baby's first at should come 4th?"

The Big and Little of it—"What is your name, little boy?" said a lady. "Max, mum."

"And is this your sister?" "Yes, mum."

"What is her name?" "Minnie, mum."

She—Oh, you cannot always tell how one feels by how one looks. You might think I feel perfectly well, but I assure you I have no appetite at all. (Gallantly)—And yet you look good enough to eat.

NO SMILING THEN.

A man may laugh when his eyes are spoiled,

Or laugh when he's lying dead,

He may ha-ha when he's being boiled,

But his mirth will be of a subdued character

when neuralgia takes possession of the side of his head.

The Girl and the Weather—Harry—Which do you prefer, blundering brimble? "Wholly." That depends on me costume and the weather, don't you know. A light Lunnon check and sunshine goes well with a wauwetter, but oh dark weather and a cutaway a blonde lights up wonderfully.

A STRING ON HIS FINGER, TOO.

Breathes there a man with soul so dead

Who never to his wife hath said;

"I'll not forget a single thing

That you've requested me to bring

When I come home to night." And then

Comes empty-handed home again.

BLOOD ON THE HONEYMOON.

She put his shirt-studs in his shirt,

And thought them right, no doubt,

Until her husband raised the roof—

"She's got them inside out."

"My mother-in-law," said Janey, "is the ideal mother-in-law." "I am sure to hear that," said Hawkins. "In my case the mother-in-law of fact is a far more agreeable person than the mother-in-law of fiction."

Mrs. Wright—I see that they are going to establish a home for poor actors. Wright—Well, I'm glad of it. There are enough of them playing in town now to more than fill it.

THE VAIN CHARMER.

"Were I a breezer," he said, "I'd blow your curls and toss them out."

"You're right," she cried, with conscious

"They're curls to blow about!"

The Aftermath—Husband—Come and sit on my lap, my dear, as you did in our old courtship days. Wife—Well, I declare! I haven't received such an invitation for an age. Husband—And—bring a needle and thread with you, my love.

"Do I make myself plain?" said the angular lecturer on man's rights, stopping in the middle of her discourse. "You don't have to, mom," replied a voice from the rear; "the Lord done it for you long ago."

Politeness pays larger dividends on the capital invested than any other known thing.

MAY BE GOOD AS MEDICINE.

It's a queer old world,

With not too much joy at the best,

And there's never a heart, if it is a heart,

That's the worse for a timely jest.

Our idea of a Christian is a man who doesn't laugh when it rains on a picnic party to which he was not invited.

A Sure Thing—"So you will take him for better or worse?" "Yes," replied the woman who had married several times, "but he can't be any worse than my last husband."

"By Jove," said Caddy, "there is no change pocket in these trousers." "Perhaps you can carry your change in the turned-up ends of the legs," said the valet.

"The cow is a very homely bird," observed Chawlin, after returning from a recent trip into the country; "but there is much to be said in her favor. For instance, she never blows her own horn."

A PRACTICAL PRAYER.

"Oh give me the wing of a dove," she sang

At church, as before me she sat.

On looking round at the others I found

She wanted it to wear on her hat.

They were speaking of superstitions, and Mrs. Dix said: "What is it a sign of to have the family cat howl outside at night?" "Of a death in the family if the man is a good shot," replied Mr. Dix, emphatically.

A Plan—Extract from a speech for the defence: "Gentlemen of the jury, please to bear in mind that my client has spent more than one-half of his life in prison. Amid such surroundings what more likely than that he should turn out a scamp?"

"First in Peace"—Colonel Goodfellow—Well, now, how are you getting along in the place I got for you? Mrs. Yallery—Nicely, Kunnell, thanks. It's de foon now, Colonel Goodfellow, I mean? Mrs. Yallery—Yes, yes; no one kin come in till I first open up 'n' dust things out.

How the Honest Grocer Got Even—Jeweller (to grocer)—I beg your pardon, but didn't I see you put two or three finger-rings and a scarf-pin in your pocket? Grocer—Certainly. When you come into my store, aren't you always picking up things and putting them in your month?

NEWS FROM THE SEASHORE.

The maids are here from the inland towns,

In their dainty hats and summer gowns,

Cerulean hoists and shoes of tan,

Twenty maids to a single man.

COMMENT FROM THE CITY.

However greatly you must deplore

This middle-class meddling along the shore,

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Captain Harris, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 3rd October, at Noon.

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NOS. 8 AND 9 OF 1893.

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BRUCE SHEPHERD,

Official Receiver.

Land Office,

Hongkong, 29th September, 1893. [506]

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